

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Douglas) Application No. 911-023.02
County, Omaha, seeking funding)
approval for recurring and non-)
recurring costs associated with) ORDER APPROVING PHASE II LEC
Enhanced Wireless 911) FUNDING
implementation.)
) Entered: July 3, 2007

BY THE COMMISSION:

By written request for funding received February 8, 2007, Douglas County, Omaha, seeks funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund for expenses of implementing and providing Phase II enhanced wireless 911 service. The local exchange carrier serving the Douglas County's PSAP is Qwest.

Douglas County entered into a service agreement with Qwest for enhanced wireless 911 equipment and services, including costs for the implementation and provision of Phase II service. A copy of the agreement has been provided. Douglas County has provided documentation showing that it has paid to Qwest **\$2,605.61** in costs relating to Phase II implementation. None of these costs relates to Douglas County's back-up center. In the agreement, Douglas County authorizes all future payments to be made directly to Qwest.

Douglas County now seeks reimbursement of initial costs and future costs to implement and provide Phase II enhanced wireless 911 service as outlined in Appendix A attached hereto. Initial costs are to activate E2 interface, test link and upgrade database to allow location coordinates to pass through to the public safety answering point (PSAP.)

The Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board recommended at its March 23, 2007 meeting, that the Commission pay from the Fund Phase II LEC costs.

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

This request for funding is being processed pursuant to *Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-444 to 86-456 (2006 Cum. Supp.)*, 291 *Neb. Admin. Code*, Chapter 1, Section 5, and Progression Order No. 5 in Commission Docket No. 911-001, entered July 16, 2002.

Costs requested in the present funding request are eligible under *Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-86-465(2)(a) (2006 Cum. Supp.)*. All

costs have been incurred or will be incurred for the purchase, installation, maintenance and operation of telecommunications equipment and telecommunications services required for the provision of enhanced wireless 911 service.

The Commission finds that payment should be made to Douglas County in the amount of **\$3,245.34**. Any future implementations shall also be paid consistent with amounts set forth in Appendix A and shall be made directly to Qwest once each implementation is complete. Douglas County shall notify the Commission in writing that an implementation has been completed and payments shall be adjusted accordingly based on the rates set forth in Appendix A.

Based upon the request for funding and supporting documentation, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the request for funding should be granted.

Information set forth in Appendix A shall be treated as proprietary and confidential.

Any adjustments to rates must be approved by the Commission.

The Commission further finds that Douglas County is on notice and is aware that approval of this funding request is made with the understanding that it may be modified in the future, consistent with the permanent funding mechanism established pursuant to LB 1222 [2006].

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Douglas County's request for funding shall be granted consistent with the terms set forth herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission shall remit to Douglas County **\$3,245.34** consistent with the terms herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission shall remit to Qwest amounts that comport with Appendix A attached hereto once each implementation is complete.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that Douglas County is on notice and aware that approval of this funding request is made with the understanding that it may be modified in the future, consistent with the permanent funding mechanism established pursuant to LB 1222 [2006].

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 3rd day of July, 2007.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director